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Commission concerns over the incident of attack upon the health workers and destruction
Take legal action against culprit of the incident

National Human Rights Commission draws its attention towards the attack upon the health workers at Bheri Hospital involved in the treatment of the infected persons in such a critical situation of COVID -19 following the destruction and damage the hospital. NHRC Lumbini Province branch office Nepalgunj has monitored the incident spot today.

Following the irate relatives of the deceased who was died at Bheri hospital Banke had attacked the health workers at the Hospital and damaged the COVID ward of the hospital. Four health workers were learnt to have jumped off the first floor of the Hospital to save their life from the furious attackers when the attackers attacked upon the doctors and nurses. The health workers in protest said that they will not resume their works until full security is assured.

Thus, the Commission urges to the government of Nepal to probe into the incident and asks the concerned authority to book the culprits as the incident has adversely impacted the psychology and defamed the image of the health workers in the Hospital who are working round-the-clock as front-liner workers at the time of health crisis of COVID –19 pandemics. The Commission also urges to the government to ensure that such incidents do not recur.

Furthermore, the Commission appeals to the government to enable an environment where the essential services such as health services will not be obstructed amid the ongoing second wave of COVID-19 in the country and not to interrupt the most essential services such as health service and seek solutions to the problems through dialogues and talks.

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